Application No. 09/551,466 Reply to Office Action of March 17, 2004 and Advisory Action of August 16, 2004

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Favorable reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested.

The present response is submitted to place the above-identified application in condition for allowance based on the indication of allowable subject matter. More particularly, in the outstanding Office Action claims 1-24, 27-52, and 55-68 are allowed and only claims 25, 26, 53, and 54 were rejected.

By the present response each of claims 25, 26, 53, and 54 are canceled without prejudice. Thereby, only allowed claims 1-24, 27-52, and 55-68 are currently pending in this application.

As only allowed claims are pending in this application, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is now in condition for allowance, and it is hereby respectfully requested that this case be passed to issue.

Respectfully submitted,

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